

# **HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS FUNDED BY THE RYAN WHITE CARE ACT**

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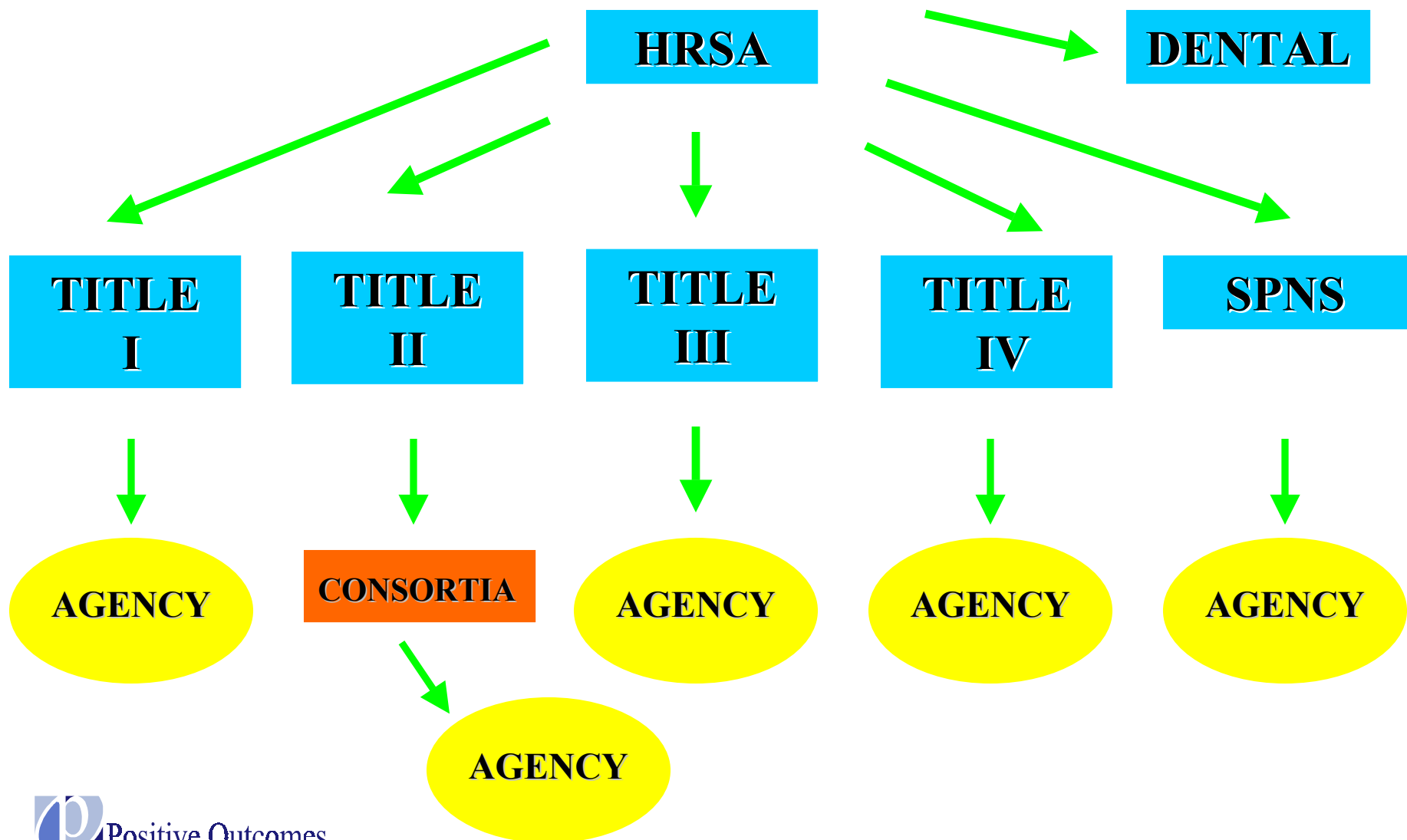
# PROJECT GOALS

*The HHS HRSA HIV/AIDS Bureau funds this project to:*

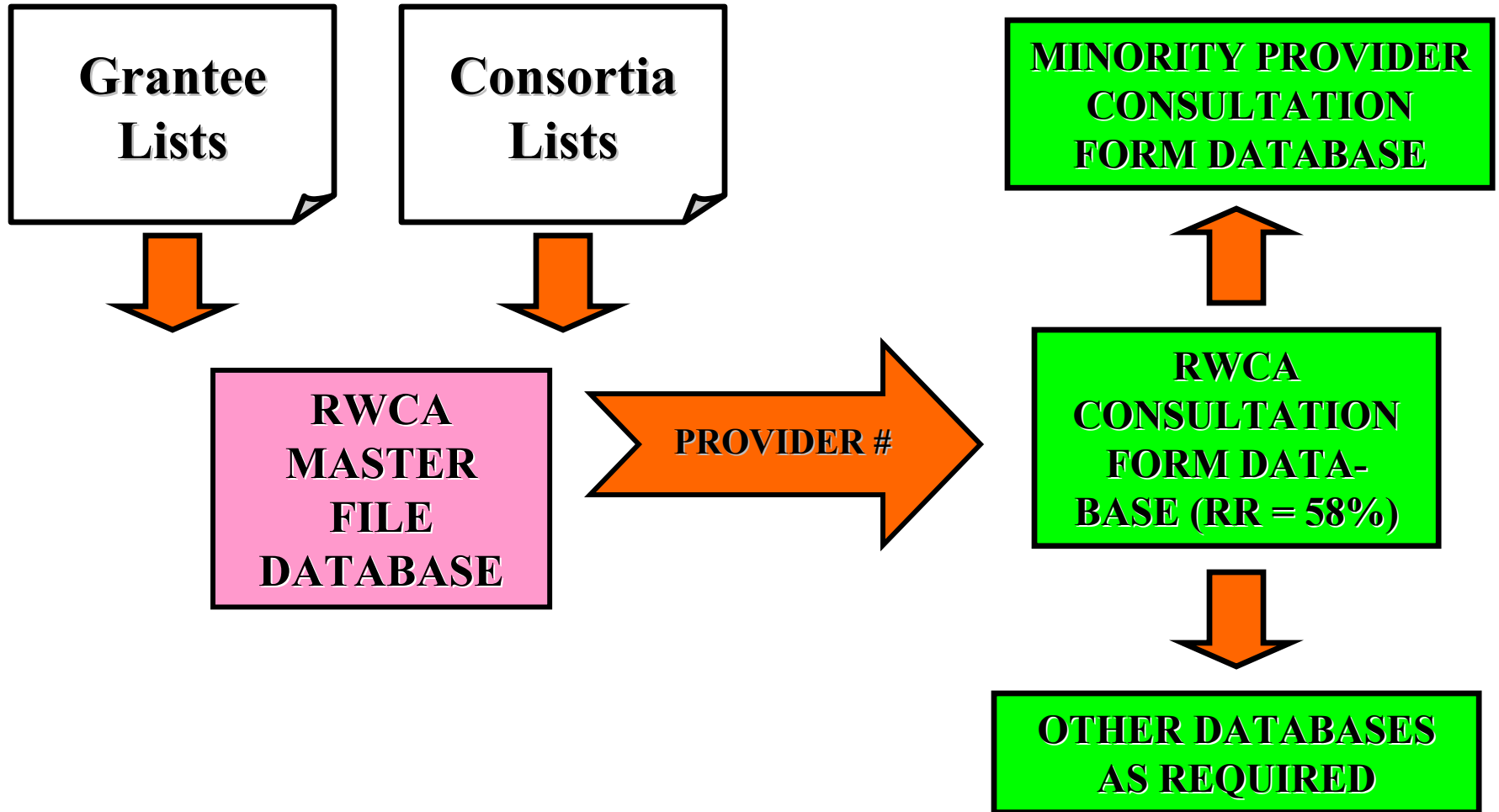
- Maintain mechanisms to assure ongoing identification and profiling of direct service agencies receiving CARE Act funds
- Maintain timely information about agencies funded by the CARE Act to enable the HRSA HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) to address policy, programmatic, and evaluation questions
- Enhance HAB's ability to identify geographic gaps in HIV service capacity and assess the link between rates of HIV disease and distribution of services in US health care markets
- Assess the TA needs of HIV service agencies supported by CARE Act funds and factors associated with those needs, including the unique TA needs of minority providers
- Assess the impact of initiatives focused on expanding minority provider participation in CARE Act programs and gain a better understanding of their organizational structure, capacity, and characteristics

# METHODS

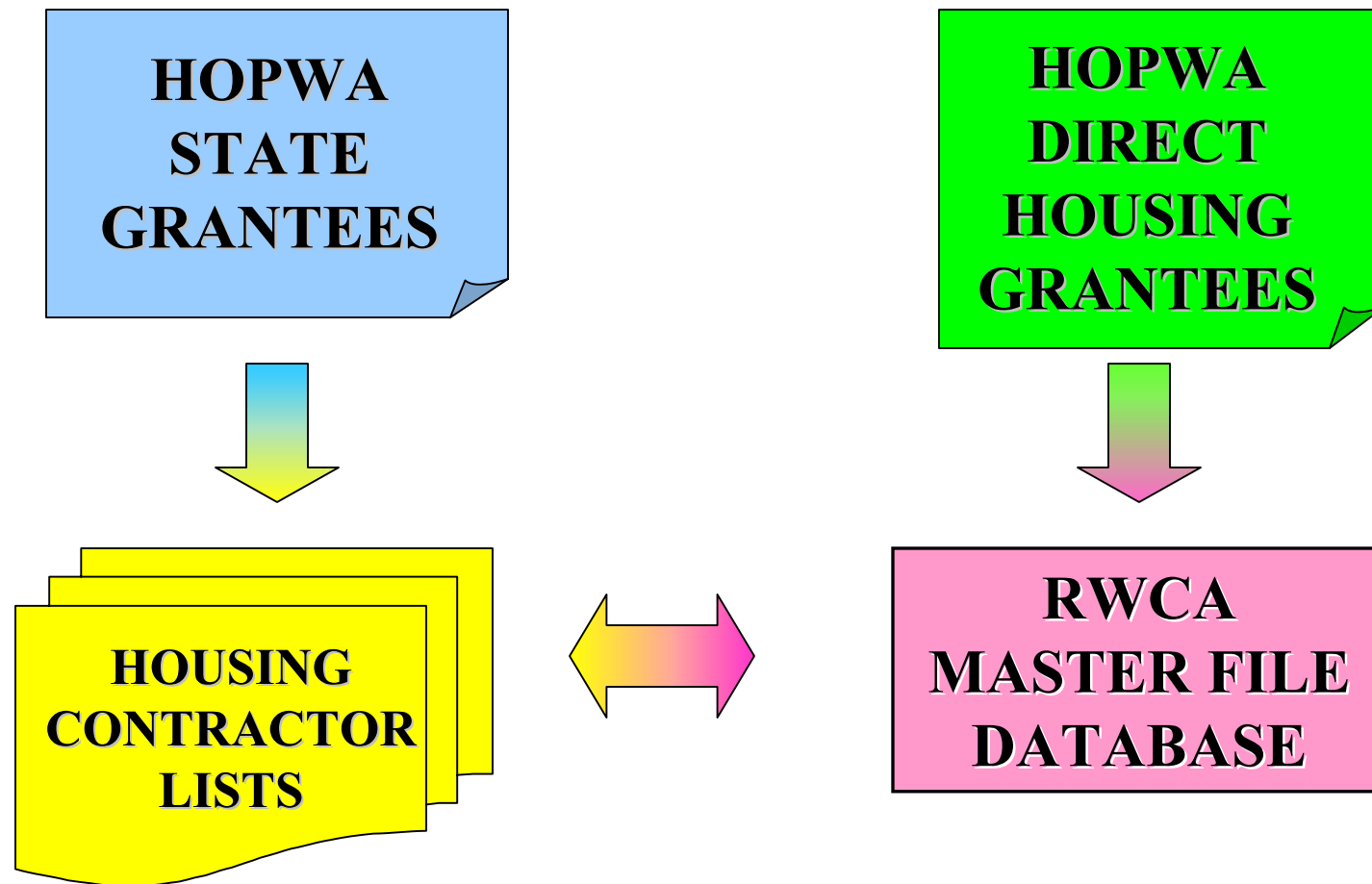
# CARE ACT GRANTEE & PROVIDER FAX CONSULTATION: AGENCY IDENTIFICATION PROCESS



# CARE ACT AGENCY DATABASE (CAAD) RELATIONAL DATABASE



# CROSS-REFERENCE PROCESS TO IDENTIFY AGENCIES FUNDED BY HOPWA AND THE CARE ACT



# Verification of HOPWA Contractors

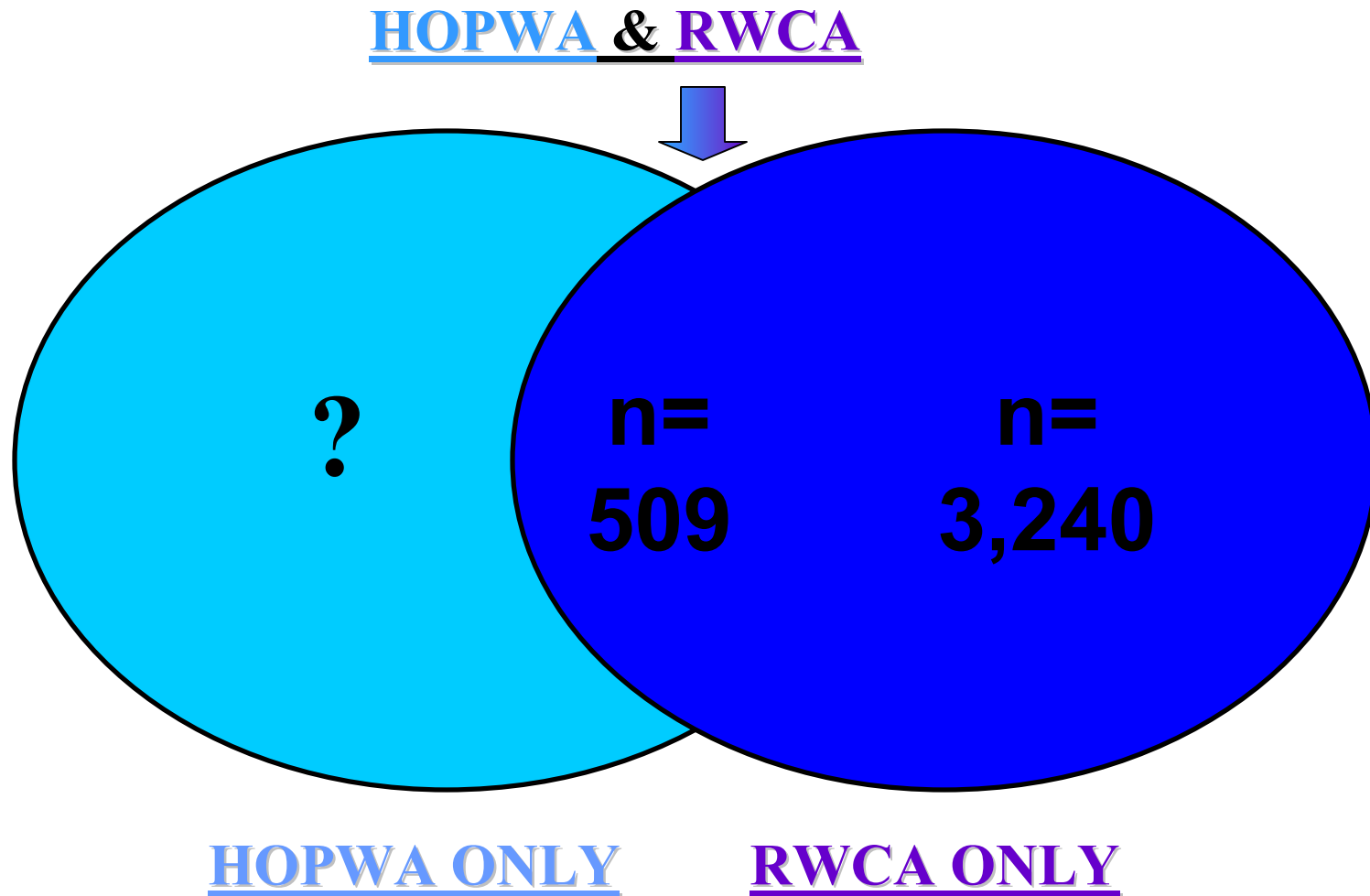
- 509 agencies checked HOPWA as a source of funding on the consultation form
- Contractor lists were solicited from HOPWA grantees
- POI used contractor lists received from the 188 HOPWA grantees to verify funding
  - 303 respondents were verified using HOPWA contractor lists received from grantees (60%)
  - 206 could not be verified (40%)

# STATUS OF HOUSING DATA COLLECTION

- **Housing agencies receiving CARE Act funds are included in CAAD**
  - **These agencies have been asked to complete a consultation form**
- **Agencies receiving HOPWA funds have also been identified by POI and cross-referenced with CAAD**
  - **HOPWA grantee and contractors that do not receive CARE Act funds have not been asked to complete a consultation form**



# CROSS-OVER IN FUNDING OF DIRECT SERVICE AGENCIES BY THE CARE ACT AND HOPWA

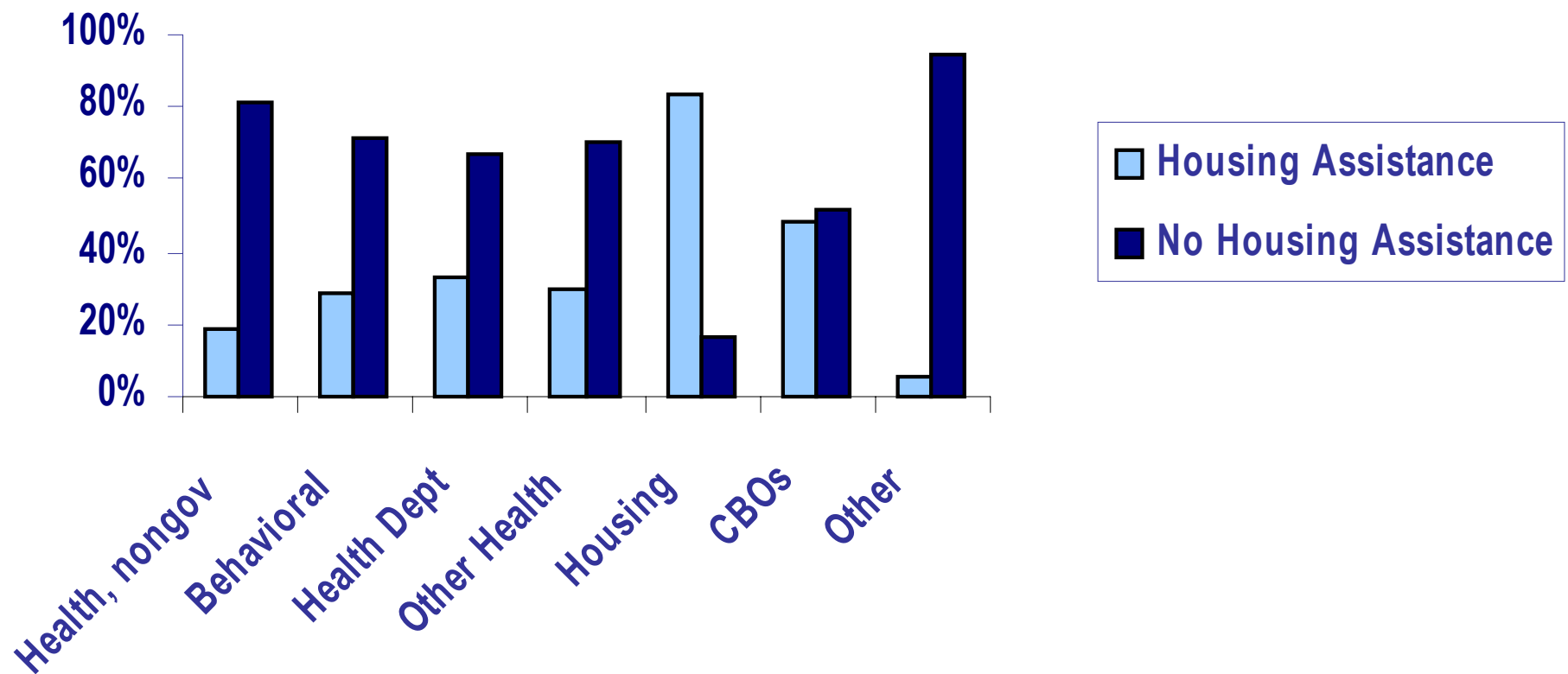


# Housing Assistance Providers and HOPWA Funding

- Of the 1,884 agencies returning consultation forms, 611 (32%) provide housing assistance
- Of the 611 agencies that provide housing assistance
  - 39% are confirmed HOPWA contractors (n=238)
  - 61% are unconfirmed or funded through other sources (n=373)

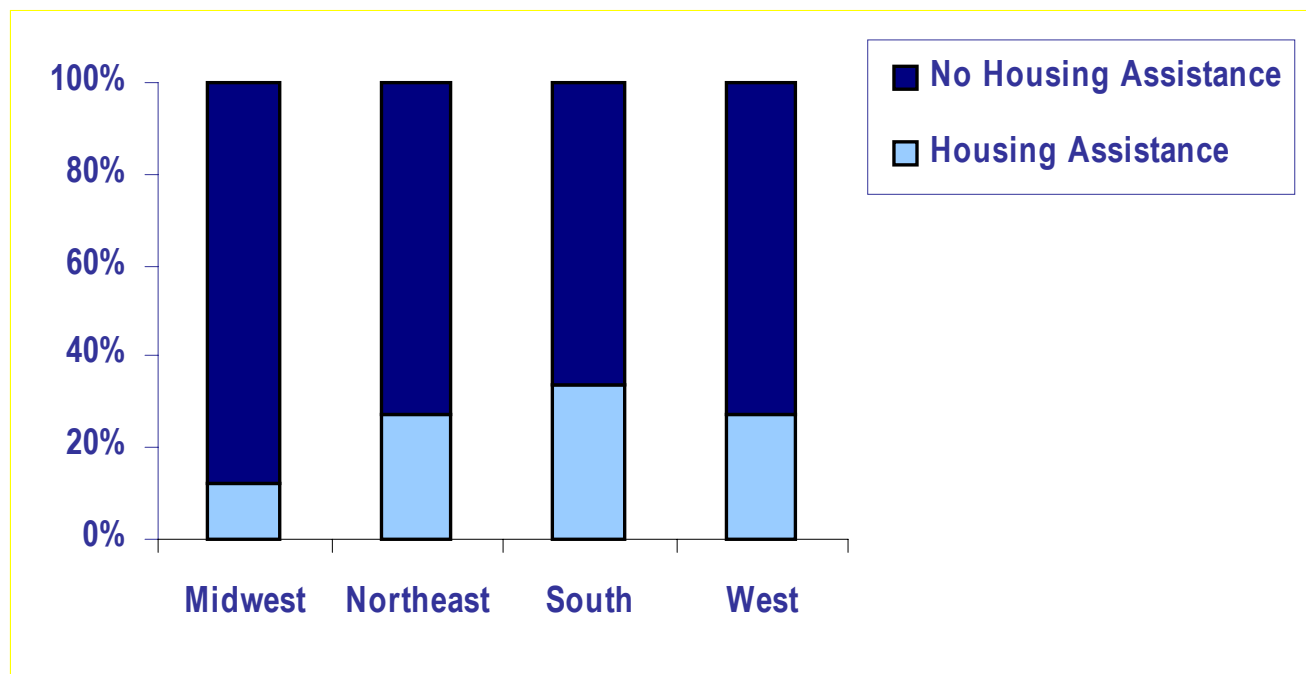
# RESULTS

# What types of agencies provide housing assistance?



# Where are housing assistance providers located?

- **12% in the Midwest**
- **27% in the Northeast**
- **34% in the South**
- **27% in the West**



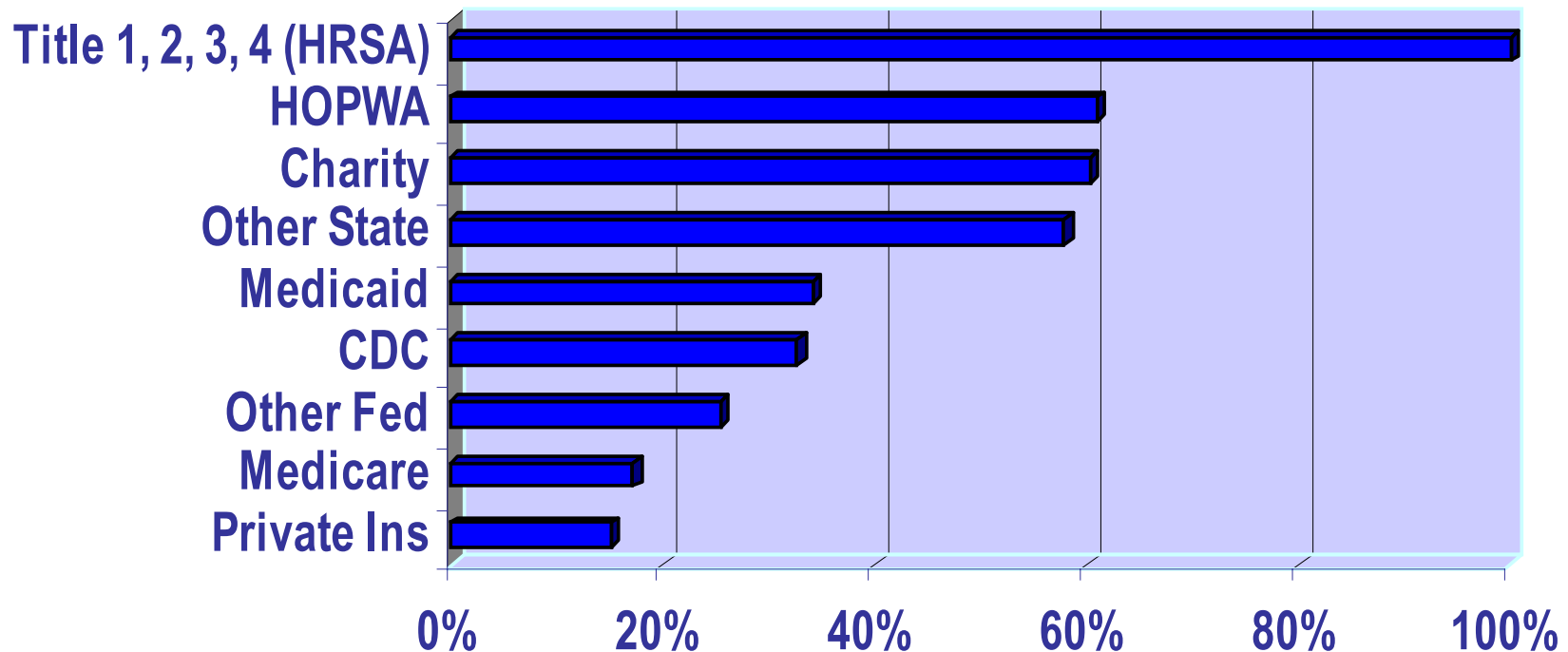
# **What is the minority provider status of housing assistance providers?**

- **45% are Minority Providers**
  - **> 50% board and/or staff are racial/ethnic minorities**
- **36% are Traditional Providers**
  - **> 50% clients are racial/ethnic minorities**
- **19% are Other Providers**
  - **Board, staff, or clients are not racial/ethnic minorities**

# What are the five other services most often offered by housing assistance providers?

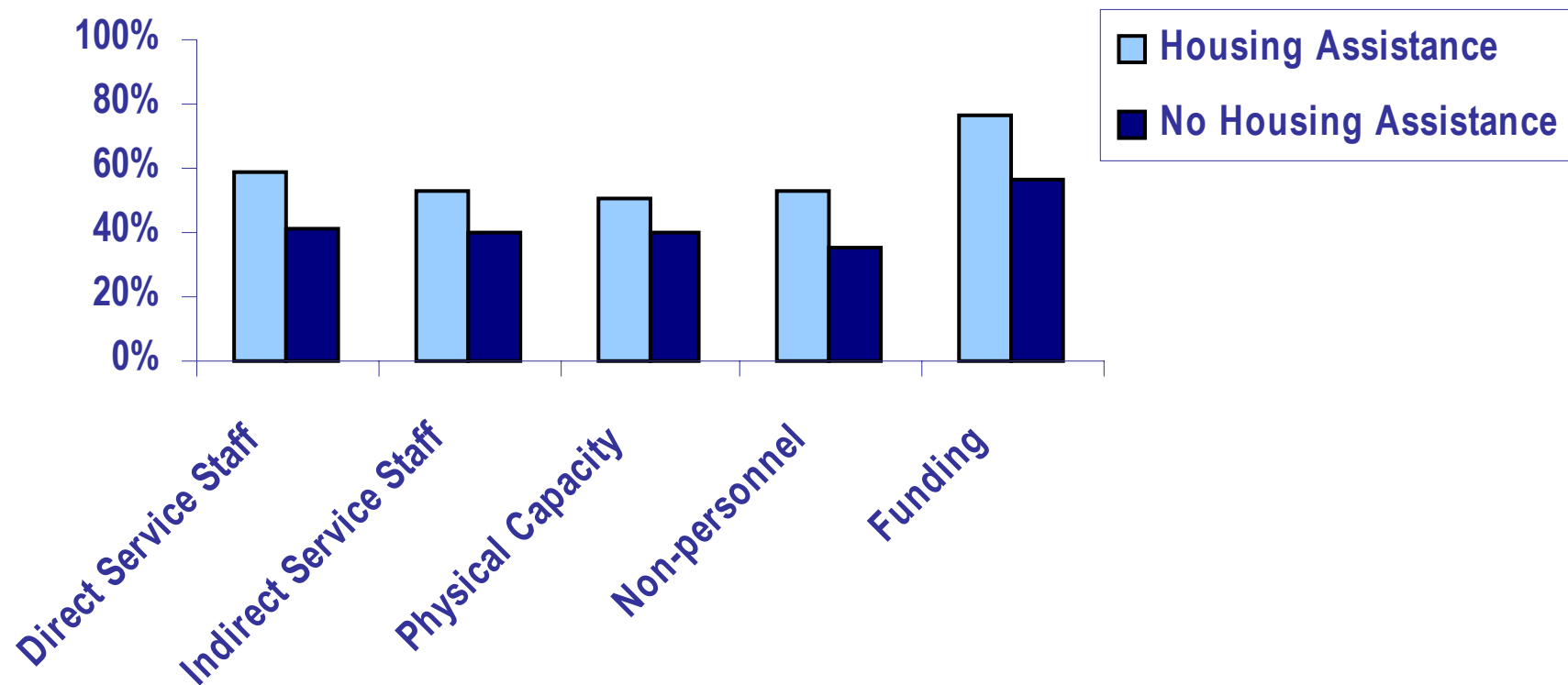
Service	Housing Assistance Providers	Other Providers
Case Management*	89%	46%
Health Education*	76%	47%
Client Advocacy*	71%	29%
Transportation*	70%	24%
Support Groups*	66%	31%
*Significant chi-square at $p < 0.05$ or less		

# Which agencies or other sources of funds support housing assistance providers?





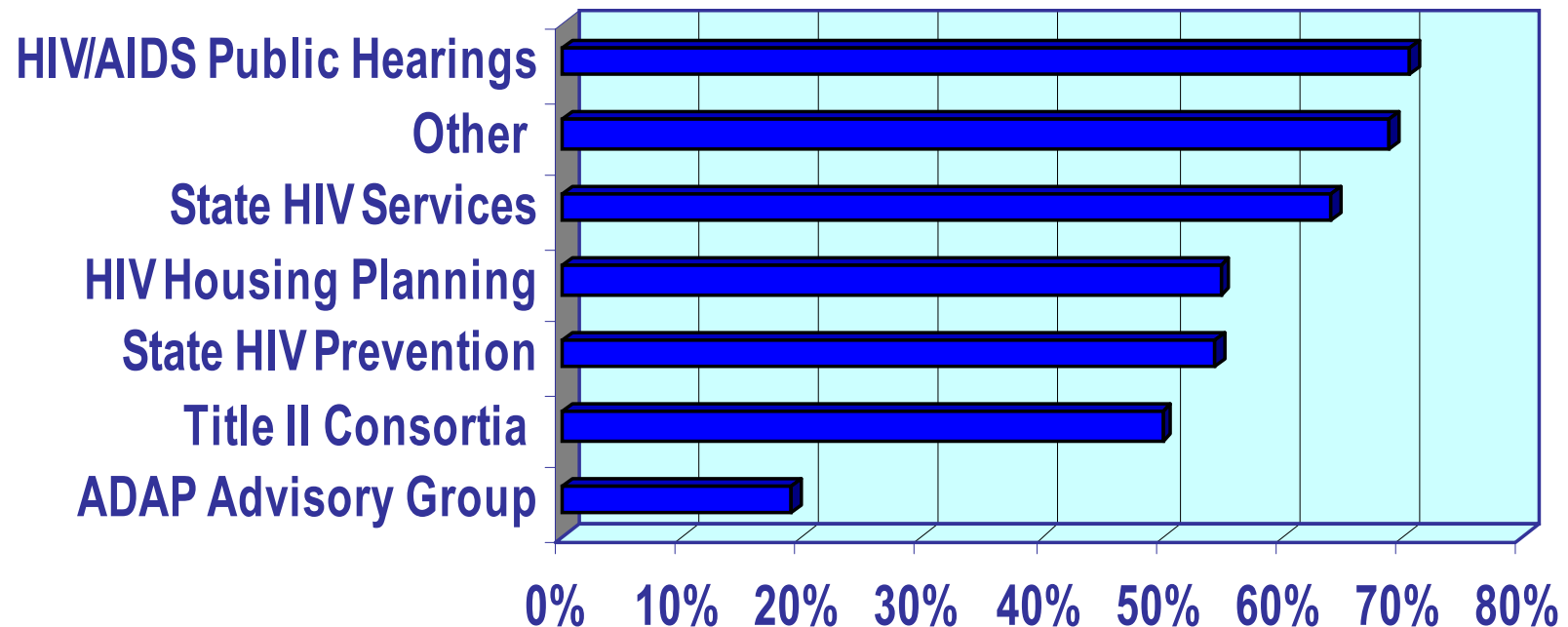
## What percent of housing assistance providers report that their resources to meet current client needs are inadequate?



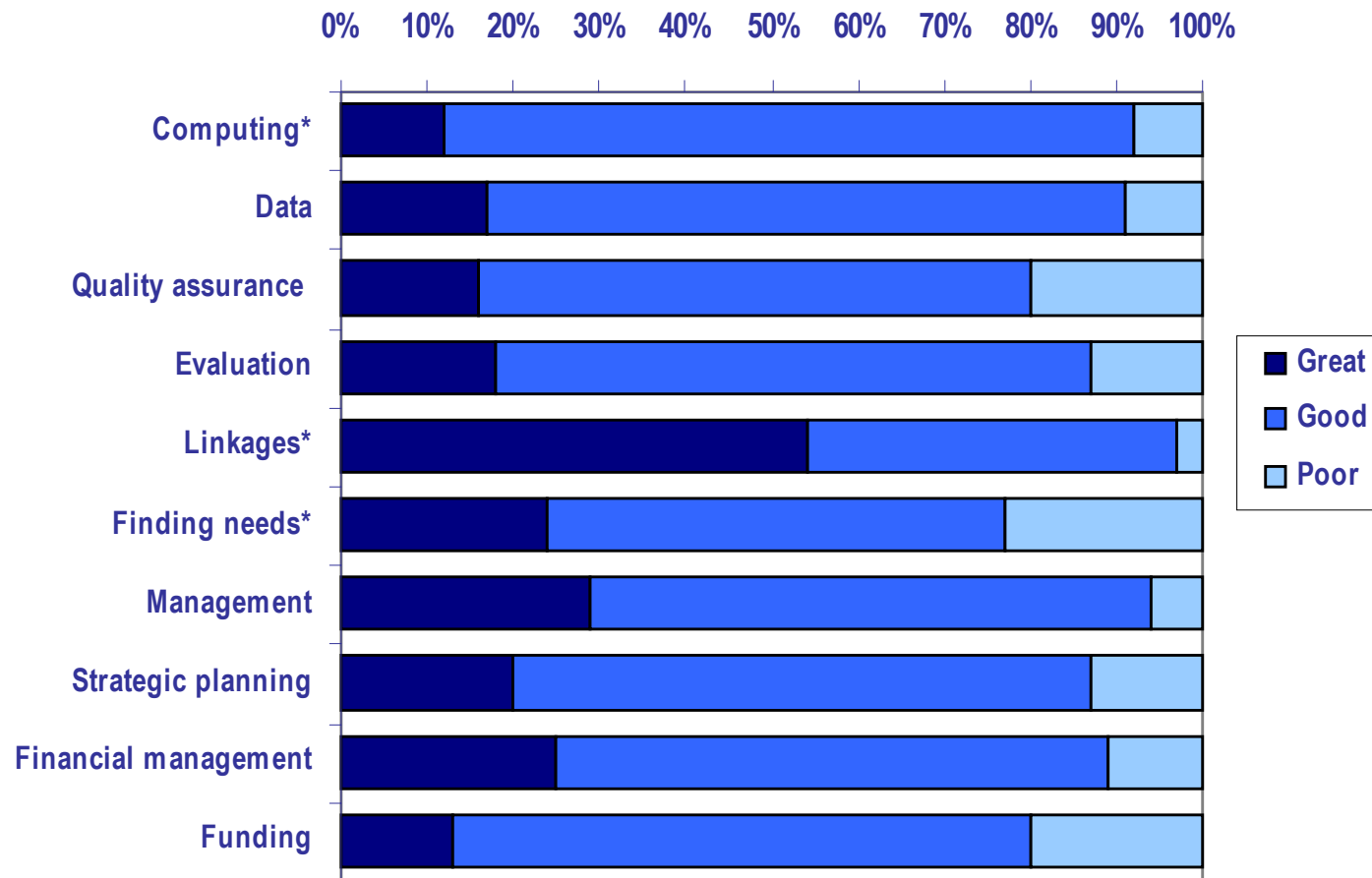
# What are the top five unmet needs of housing assistance providers by resource category?

<b>Direct Service Staff</b>	<b>Non-direct Service Staff</b>	<b>Physical Capacity</b>	<b>Non-Personnel Resources</b>	<b>Funding</b>
<b>Case Managers</b>	<b>Clerical</b>	<b>Office Space</b>	<b>Computers</b>	<b>Direct Services</b>
<b>Nurses</b>	<b>Support Staff</b>	<b>Storage Space</b>	<b>Printers</b>	<b>Operations</b>
<b>Doctors</b>	<b>Data Entry</b>	<b>Interview Space</b>	<b>Software</b>	<b>Staff</b>
<b>Mental Health Providers</b>	<b>Information Systems</b>	<b>Records Space</b>	<b>Telephone Lines</b>	<b>Administration</b>
<b>Educators</b>	<b>Accounting</b>	<b>Waiting Rooms</b>	<b>Modems</b>	<b>Salaries</b>

# What is the level of planning participation by housing assistance providers?



# How well do housing assistance providers assess their technical and management skills?



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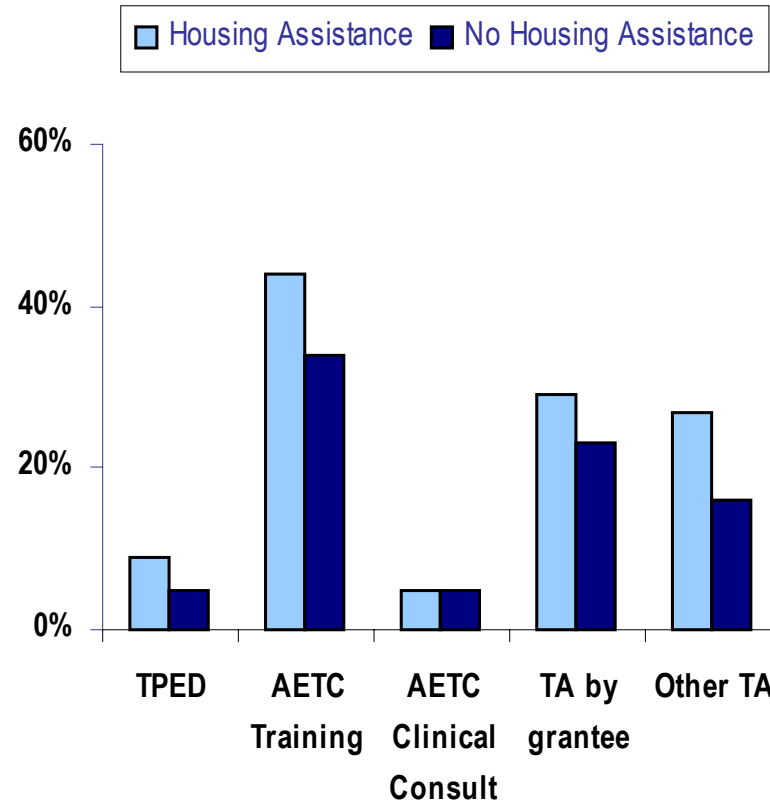
# Participation in Training and Technical Assistance (TA)

- **AIDS Education and Training Center (AETC) Training**
- **AETC Clinical Consultation**
- **TA arranged by grantee or HRSA project officer**
- **Targeted Provider Education Demonstration (TPED) Training**
- **Other TA not arranged by grantee or HRSA project officer**

# What is the rate of participation in training / TA sponsored by HRSA?

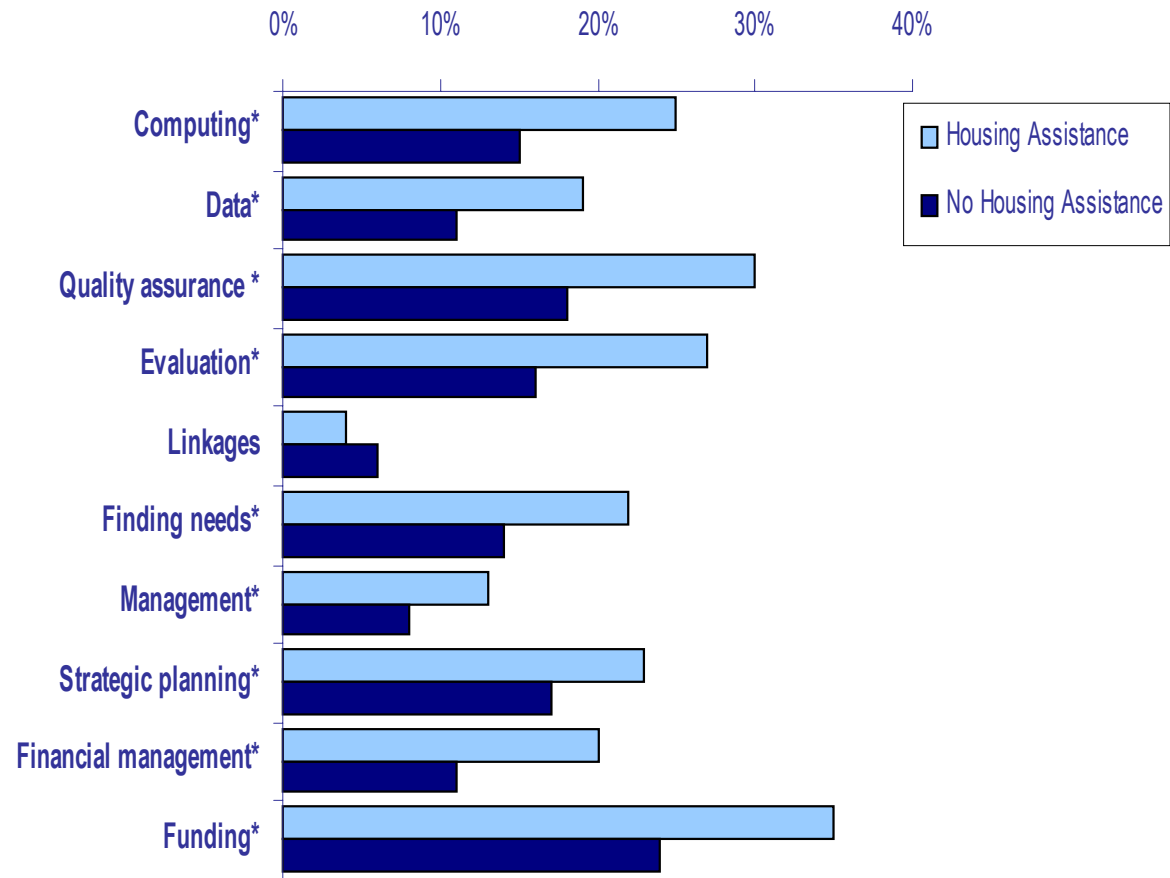
- AETC training\* 44% of housing providers versus 34% other providers
- TA arranged by grantee/HRSA\* 29% of housing providers versus 23% other providers
- Other TA not arranged by grantee/HRSA\* 27% housing providers versus 16% of other providers

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# What TA and training needs are identified by housing assistance providers?

- **Housing assistance providers are significantly more likely than other agencies to request TA in all technical and management activities, except for linkages**



# Can Internet resources be used for TA and training?

- **Email provided (some or all staff)**
  - 91% of housing assistance providers
  - 83% of other providers
- **Internet access provided (some or all staff)**
  - 93% of housing assistance providers
  - 87% of other providers



## Are housing assistance providers interested in electronic information dissemination?

Resource	Housing Assistance	No Housing Assistance
HAB Listserv or Mailing List*	29%	40%
Other Listserv or Mailing List*	39%	47%
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# **SOURCES OF TA AND TRAINING FUNDED BY DHHS**

# DHHS TA & Training Resources

## HRSA HAB

- **BETAH TA Contract**
  - Requests via CARE Act grantee to HAB Project Officer
- **National TA Contracts**
- **AETC-sponsored workshops**
- **HAB website**
- **HAB electronic and print newsletters**
- **Publications and reports**

## Office of Minority Health CDC

- **Capacity building TA**

## SAMHSA

- **Center for Substance Abuse Prevention**
- **Center for Substance Abuse Treatment**
- **Center for Mental Health Services**

## Office of Women's Health

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